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CONGRATULATIONS

Springbok Scouts

Brett Forbes, Gareth Forbes – 1st Cambridge Scout Troop
Erica Demeyer, Shelly-Anne Wakeford – Algoa Sea Scout Troop

LEAPING WOLF BADGE

Shane Muller – 1st Port Alfred Pack
James de Scander – 1st Walmer Pack
Darren Gelderbloem – 1st Cotswold Pack
Brendan Botha – S.O.E. Uitenhage Pack
Walter Abrahams – S.O.E. Uitenhage Pack
Slaid Bennette – S.O.E. Uitenhage Pack
Michael Johnson – 1st Vincent Pack
John Marais – Graaff-Reinet Pack
Christopher-John – Graaff-Reinet Pack
Hennie Blom – Graaff-Reinet Pack
Matthew Fick – Graaff-Reinet Pack

ADULT LEADER AWARDS

Bar to the Medal of Merit – Mr Ernest Pike
Medal of Merit – Mrs Veronica Davies
Certificate of Merit – Mr Barry Carr
Long Service Award – Miss Kathy Douglas
Service Award 10 year – Trevor Graham
Service Award 5 year – Mr Mark Akers
Service Award 5 year – Mr Michael Ovens
Service Award 5 year – Mr Stephan Demeyer

SCOUTERS ENGAGEMENT . . .

Congratulations to Belinda Higgs, Akela 1st Sunridge Pack
and Trevor Graham, Troop Scouter of 1st Walmer Troop, on
their recent engagement!

LION CUB CAMP The Forgan's Farm

The Area annual Lion Cub Camp will take place over the
week-end 28/30 May 2004.

We wish them good weather with the cubs building and
sleeping in bivvies over the two nights.

ADULT TRAINING

Introduction to Adult Leadership -
June – Venue to be confirmed

Cub Camping Course -
5/6 June - The Springs, Uitenhage

Cub/Scout Wood Badge - Common Modules - 31 July

Cub Wood Badge - 28/29 August

Adult Leader Trainer - Jeff Ferreira 083 7806 162

B-P SUPPER - AWARDS



Mr **Danny Barth** (second from right - seated), made the
presentations of Adult Leader Awards at the supper.

SPRINGBOK AWARDS



Erica Demeyer and Shelly-Anne Wakeford, the first girl
scouts to have earned their Springbok Award in the
Cape Eastern Area.

DIARY DATES:

Area Scout Council – Training Team Meeting –
Cub Forum - 19/20 June - Port Elizabeth

Next **Area Scout Council** – Training Team Meeting –
21/22 August – East London

Cub First Aid Competition – 18 September -
Note Change of Date.

JOTA CAMP GILWOOD - EAST LONDON

All Groups are invited to attend the Jota Camp to be held at Gilwood Training Centre in East London. Dates 15 to 17 October 2004

Jota is the occasion where local Scouts and Cubs can be in contact with other Cubs and Scouts in the rest of South Africa and all over the world via Radio and the Internet.

Gilwood Training Centre is a well equipped facility with great outdoor areas and camp sites. With sufficient toilets and a hall in case of bad weather.

Cost: R90 per person, which includes food and camping fees.

Time: 17.30 Friday 15th – 13.00 Sunday 17th October 2004

There will be a Campfire on Saturday evening.

Contact Brett – Cell 083 9504173 Gareth – Cell 083 9504173 Lewellyn Song – Cell 084 3178850

NEWS FROM THE REGIONS

EASTERN REGION

The Umthawelanga and K.K. Ngqase Scouts went to a camp. Their very first Patrol duty was to clean the campsite up after which an orientation of the campsite was conducted by Helen, the Camp Site Centre Leader.

All the Scouts tackled an obstacle course although some found it a bit difficult, others managed and all enjoyed the fun. Following this the Scouts went on a hike and were shown various plants and animals including some zebras. After lunch it was off to do some horse riding. Here it was a case of some scared and not so keen Scouts whilst others enjoyed their ride under the watchful eye of the Centre Leaders. Late afternoon saw everybody going for swimming lessons – with life jackets. After all this activity supper was most welcome.

The next day saw everyone packing their provisions, and 1st Aid kit, for a hike on the Pretjiesberg mountain. Instructors showed everyone things like tracks, tracking signs, National Flower (Protea), Fire lookouts, Yellow wood Trees, etc. At a waterfall some of the scouts showed off their swimming techniques. The instructor/guide was so impressed with one boy's



ACTIVE SCOUTING IN THE SOUTH EAST REGION



MACIBE TROOP in Kentani, South East Region, on a clean up around their town.



MACIBE TROOP enjoying the outdoors at a Star Patrol camp – they were divided into two sub-camps with three patrols in each sub-camp. Dove patrol came out on top.

swimming capabilities that he was given a special prize for being the best swimmer. After the hike the river near the campsite was too much of a temptation and into the water they all went. Unfortunately the weather played havoc with the much-awaited campfire.

Day 3 saw the Scouts on an abseiling exercise. After instructions and demonstrations were given by Adele Moore some of the Scouts took part whilst others were nervous and panicky. Those confident enough enjoyed this adventure.

All too soon the camp was over and back to Maclear they all went with the Scouts commenting that **"THEY ENJOYED IT"**

CUB SOCCER TOURNAMENT



*Overall Winners and Most Goals Scored
1st S.O.E. Uitenhage Pack*



*Second: Cub Soccer Tournament
1st Newton Park Pack*

SWIMMING GALAS

At Victoria Park Grey Primary School baths.

CUBS: First Place – 1st Walmer Pack
Second – 1st Cotswold Pack
Third – 1st Walmer Pack

SCOUTS: First Place – St Croix Sea Scout Troop
Second Place – 1st Sunridge Troop
Third Place – 1st Walmer Troop

S.A. COUNTRY LIFE MAGAZINE

In the June 2004 edition of the above magazine is a four page article praising the virtues of Scouting. Reading the article you feel "I want to be part of this" and is therefore a great tool and an ideal opportunity to canvass new Scouts and Scouters.

ARE WE EQUIPPED TO HANDLE "WHERE TO JOIN" ENQUIRIES?

We note that UK Scouting, leading up to the 2007 centenary celebrations, are jacking up their ability to handle "where to join" enquiries. It is important that our Area Headquarters has an up-to-date list of contact telephone numbers of every Group in the Area so that when they get requests of this nature they are able to pass on the contact information. Every group, on the other hand, should have a responsible person to promptly respond to these requests. Every one of us should be a recruiting agent for the movement. Even if our Group is "full" we should be in a position to "pass on" requests to join, to other Groups in the vicinity of where the enquiry originates. In that case it would be handy to have a copy of H.Q's telephone list.

To start off, contact Pat or Tiny at tel. 041-374-4096 on Wednesday afternoon, or Friday, all day, to confirm that they have this information.

"BE PREPARED" the Scout Motto

Dylan Prinsloo, a P/L of the 1st Cotswold Troop, has just been awarded his First Aid Badge after being trained by a paramedic who is ATS at St Croix Sea Scout Troop.

Walking home on 26 May at about 15h40, in Tudor Gardens, Port Elizabeth – he noticed a car on the side of the road with the driver standing outside obviously distressed. He offered assistance, to discover a semi-conscious woman in the passenger seat. She had symptoms of shock, a slow and weak pulse and established she had a history of heart problems. He immediately phoned Marc, the paramedic, who dispatched an ambulance. Dylan remained with the casualty, providing care and keeping her conscious and comfortable until the medics arrived. They immediately put her on a drip to increase the heart rate before transporting her to hospital.

Marc is of the opinion that Dylan handled this situation in an exemplary fashion and probably prevented a more serious situation from developing.

STOP PRESS!!

We have learned that South Africa's Chief Scout Commissioner, Andre Bredenkamp, has summited Mount Everest via the North face, on 21 May – he was the first of the South Africans in the party to do so. He has planted the South African Scout Flag on the top of the world. Congratulations!

POW-WOW – 2004 Gauteng Area

The Cape Eastern Area participants in the Pow-Wow in Heronbridge – Gauteng 24/26 April 2004



From left – back: Wayne Mentor, Sammy Blaauw, DJ Hodgkinson.

*Peliwe Nglozela, Mandisa, Pamphilia Ndema.
Zukiswa Kweleta, Stella Sibanga, Nosiseko Ntuli, Nolitha Ndiki,
Nsopho Mdikane, Veronica Davies.
Front: Letitia Tshetu, Dukashe Noniphiwo,
Ntombekhaya Dimbasa, Monica Ntshingwa.*



DJ's beadwork

FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE SAN

16th Senior Scout Adventure – Cederberg 2004

I have just received a most comprehensive copy of the Save-a-place Patrol entry booklet for the Senior Scout Adventure – 10 to 21 December 2004. Besides the entry form, the booklet contains everything you need to know about participating in this most exciting activity. As the closing date for entries is 31 July 2004, get cracking and get your copy of the booklet right away. You might have to do a bit of fundraising - entry is R1300, plus the cost of transport to Cape Town and back.

SAMMY'S FIRST POW-WOW

Theme: Spirit of Scouting

WOW! What an experience. At least now I know what the WOW in POW-WOW is for. Still trying to figure out the meaning of the POW.

Right from the very beginning we had a taste of what was to come when we discovered that it would be Wayne's first flight. I swear if Veronica wore a skirt or dress he would have attached himself to it like a boy off to his first day at school. Nonetheless we made it onto the plane with Wayne refusing to undo his seatbelt throughout the flight – forget about looking through the window!

On arrival we were picked up by our hostess who took us on yet another adventure, Jo'burg Friday rush hour traffic. With cramping leg muscles, caused by braking in the backseat, 90 minutes later we finally arrived at Gilwell where we overnighted and met up with the other thirteen, East Cape contingent.

Saturday: 6h30 whisked away to the Pow-Wow venue at Heronbridge College where we met up with the rest of the gang; that is exactly what we became after the opening ceremony. Into camp easy gear and war was declared. Aim: to build a cannon and pelt each other with flour bombs. The target soon shifted onto Jeanette Angus and the others sitting on the embankment in uniform – the ice broken and immediate new bonds were formed that just grew stronger – not only in our groups, but amongst all. Saturday evening was occupied with games which pitted the "forts" against each other. What great fun.

Sunday morning we were carted off to Gilwell for, among others the St. George's Service, Skill bases, Supper and campfire. At the skills bases, new ideas were learned for compass work, wire & bead spoons (lions), sand candles to name a but a few.

Monday started as all the other days with breakfast. This was followed by an exciting tour of the Lion Park, Ngwenya Glass Village and the Flights of Fancy – a bird show – yes the feathered kind, at Monte Casino.

The day ended with a smart banquet at which we presented our skits and songs. Dare I say that although almost impromptu, we gave a good performance – of course in the spirit of scouting.

The presentation of a gift from Cape Eastern to our hosts, drew OOHs and AAHS from the audience, especially after learning that the design of our Area Badge took approx. 46539 glass beads and a lot of time and a very patient DJ to make. Unfortunately this also marked the official closing of POW-WOW 2004. It was time to start saying "see you in Durban", the next venue for Pow-Wow 2006.

The time, if only four days, can really make a person grow. Just ask Wayne! He insisted on sitting next to the window on the return flight – even loosened his seatbelt! WOW or should I say POW WOW!

Sammy Blaauw

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